

2017 Mako Mania Tournament Information

Entry Fee

Entry Fee is \$500 per boat up to four anglers. Additional anglers may be added to a boat at \$50 per additional angler, up to a maximum of six anglers.

There will be a one day (different team) entry for charter boats \$300. In order to be eligible, the boat must already be entered with a team fishing 2 out of 3 days. The 3rd day may be fished with a different team only. All added entry fees will be the same rate and must be entered by 10 p.m. the night of registration.

Added Entry Levels

\$100, \$300, & \$500 Mako Categories

(Heaviest Mako 1st, 2nd & 3rd place prizes – 50/30/20 split)

\$100, \$300, & \$500 Thresher Categories

(Heaviest Thresher 1st, 2nd & 3rd place prizes – 50/30/20 split)

\$200 Heaviest Bluefish (1st & 2nd place prize money only – 65/35)

\$1000 Bonus Mako Calcutta - *special rules apply – see below

(Heaviest Mako – Winner take all)

All added entry levels must be entered BEFORE 10 p.m. on the night of registration (Thursday June, 1st)

*If no participating boat weighs a qualifying fish, money (this entry level only) will be refunded in full.

Prizes

Trophies and prize money will be awarded for heaviest Mako, Thresher, and Bluefish

Captains Meeting and Final Entry Sign-up:

BAHIA MARINA – Thursday, June 1st, 2017

Sign-up will begin at 4:00 p.m. – Captain's meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Additional info/rules will be given out at the captains meeting.

At least one team member should be present.

(IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS THIS IS THE TIME TO ASK!!)

Awards Banquet begins on June 4th, 2017 after scales close.

For more information on Mako Mania or any other tournament hosted by **Bahia Marina**, call **(410)289-7438**.

Entry Form

Name _____

Street _____

City, State, Zip _____

Phone(s) _____

E-mail _____

Boat Name _____ # of Anglers _____

Name of Anglers (1-4) \$500.00 for the first 4.

(1) _____ SS# _____

(2) _____ SS# _____

(3) _____ SS# _____

(4) _____ SS# _____

Name of additional Anglers: add \$50.00 per Angler

(5) _____ SS# _____

(6) _____ SS# _____

Added Entry Levels:

___ Mako \$500

___ Mako \$300

___ Mako \$100

___ Mako Bonus \$1000

___ Thresher \$100

___ Thresher \$300

___ Thresher \$500

___ Bluefish \$200

Anglers 1-4 = \$500

Anglers 5-6 = \$50 per Angler

#Extra Banquet Guests _____

Total Amount \$ _____

Checks Payable to Bahia Marina Tournaments. Registrations may be dropped off or mailed to: **Bahia Marina** 107 Herring Way **Ocean City, MD 21842**

Tournament Rules

1. All IGFA rules apply unless otherwise noted in the following.
2. It is the captain's responsibility to obey all state and federal rules and regulations regarding licenses, permits, and safety equipment.
3. Sharks may be shot for boating purposes but will not qualify for IGFA records. Use of harpoons or bang sticks is not permitted.
4. The use of J-Hooks is allowed.
5. All boats must leave the Ocean City, MD, Indian River, DE or Chincoteague, VA inlets. No boat may pass the sea buoy before 5:00 a.m. There is no distance limitation, however all fish must be weighed at Bahia Marina before the close of scales that day.
6. Fishing hours are 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. No chumming or chunking may occur before lines in at 7:00 a.m. All lines must be removed from the water by 3:00 p.m. Any fish hooked prior to 3:00 p.m. shall be immediately reported to a committee boat and may be played until boated or released.
7. A fish may be hooked by anyone. However, the rod must be transferred immediately to the angler after hook-up. The angler, from that time on, must fight the fish alone until boated or released.
8. In the event that a boat becomes disabled, contestants may transfer to a second boat and assume the original boat number without any additional charge or penalty. In the event a boat becomes disabled while fighting a fish, the angler may NOT transfer to another boat or get assistance in fighting or boating the fish from another boat.
9. Each team can fish 2 out of 3 days. No team member may fish more than 2 days in the tournament. Teams may declare their "lay day" (day not fishing) at registration. Teams that do not declare a lay day at registration or wishing to change fishing days must contact tournament officials or Bahia Marina prior to 8 a.m. the day that they are not fishing. If a call is not received and no lay day selected the boat will be considered fishing that day.

10. All fish must be weighed at Bahia Marina. Scales open at 3:30 p.m. and close at 7:30 p.m. No fish will be weighed prior to scales open. Catch may be trucked to the marina. ALL CATCH REPORTS ARE DUE DAILY BY SCALES CLOSE. (7:30 P.M.)
11. In the event of a breakdown of the primary scale, fish will be weighed on a secondary certified scale. All weights will be considered valid and final.
12. All cash prizes are determined by the tournament committee. All decisions are final. In the event of a protest, all parties will submit, in writing, their objections no later than 7:30 p.m. on Sunday, June 4, 2017. \$100 protest fee-- non-refundable)
- A. A protest may only be filed by a registered angler, registered crew member, or Tournament Director.
 - B. All protests must be put in writing and include the registered angler(s) name(s), a local contact phone number and \$100 in cash or check. It must contain a detailed description of the protested matter and include any supporting evidence available. It must be signed by the protesting angler(s) or crew member(s) and be delivered to the Tournament Directors as soon as possible from the time the protested action occurs.
 - C. If the judges rule in favor of the person(s) that filed a protest, the \$100 protest fee will be refunded.
 - D. Protests should be carefully considered by contestants as they delay or interfere with the awarding of prizes to the tournament winners. Unjustified protests in recent tournaments have caused expense, turmoil, and unfavorable and unacceptable conditions with respect to the bona fide winners of prizes receiving their awards. Therefore, the Mako Mania Tournament shall be entitled to reimbursement for its costs and fees, including attorney fees, which result from the determination and resolution of the validity of unjustified protests. Such attorneys fees include, but not limited to, providing legal advice, and investigation of legal matters in conjunction with any protest as well as legal fees for any litigation which results. Such amount shall be considered as liquidated damages for the matters described herein.
 - E. As a condition for entry into the Mako Mania Tournament, all registrants hereby agree to be bound by all tournament rules.
13. All anglers winning \$10,000 or more may be required, at the discretion of the Mako Mania Tournament, to take and pass, at the determination of the test administrator, a polygraph test prior to the distribution of any awards.

- A. The Mako Mania Tournament may, at its discretion, also request that a polygraph test be taken by any other angler or crew member registered to that boat.
- B. In the event that a test cannot be taken at a scheduled time, tournament officials reserve the right to reschedule the test within 30 days of the date on which the fish was caught. The rescheduled test must be administered by a Mako Mania Tournament approved examiner administered to ASTM standards and will be at the angler's expense.
- C. If all angler wishes to dispute an unfavorable polygraph result, the angler may have a second polygraph conducted within 10 days by a qualified polygraph examiner at the angler's expense. This polygraph must be administered to ASTM standards. The decision as to which of the two polygraph tests will be used to determine prize money eligibility is that of the Tournament Directors in cooperation with the polygraph examiner(s).

14. The Mako Mania Tournament Rules have been established for the best interest of all concerned. In the event of necessity any rule may be altered at the discretion of the Tournament Directors. In any event all interpretation of rules and final decisions will rest with the Tournament Directors.

15. Tournament officials have the right to disqualify any angler and/or team from the tournament for any unsportsmanlike conduct or rule infraction with no monetary return. Entrance fee is non-refundable as well as added entry levels.

16. Participants enter at their own risk. Bahia Marina, Bahia Marina Tournaments, Mako Mania and all other sponsors will not be held responsible for any injury to any person or damage to any entrant or boat.